

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

KARAKASOGLU

Serial No. 09/169,781

Filed: October 8, 1998

For: OBSTRUCTIVE SLEEP APNEA
DETECTION APPARATUS AND METHOD
USING PATTERN RECOGNITION

) Examiner: ASTORINO, M

) Art Unit: 3736



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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

This amendment is in response to the Office Action of August 17, 1999. Amendment is requested to be made as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 12, line 3, delete "extracted" and replace with --extractor--;
line 5, delete "extracted" and replace with --extractor; and
line 33, delete "extracted 26" and replace with --extractor 36--.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) Apparatus for detecting a breath pattern of a breathing patient having lungs and a nose and mouth in communication with the lungs and breathing through the nose and/or mouth and creating an airflow into and out of the lungs, comprising a first sensor adapted to be placed in close proximity to [the face of] the patient for monitoring said airflow to

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